

WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION

WHO NEEDS IT?

Anyone proposing to conduct activities which may result in a discharge to surface waters which require a federal permit (including dredging and fill). Surface waters of the State include:

- Wetlands
- Riparian Zones
- Streambeds
- Lakes
- All Other Surface Waters

WHAT IS IT?

Statement from the State Water Resources Control Board on recommendation from the Regional Water Quality Control Board that the proposed project will not violate water quality standards and will protect the water for beneficial uses. At a minimum, any loss of wetlands must be replaced by a wetland of at least equal function, value and area.

HOW DO YOU OBTAIN IT?

Submit a detailed project description including dates of proposed activities, location maps, and estimates of the cubic yardage to be dredged and/or acreage to be filled and/or disturbed in any manner to:

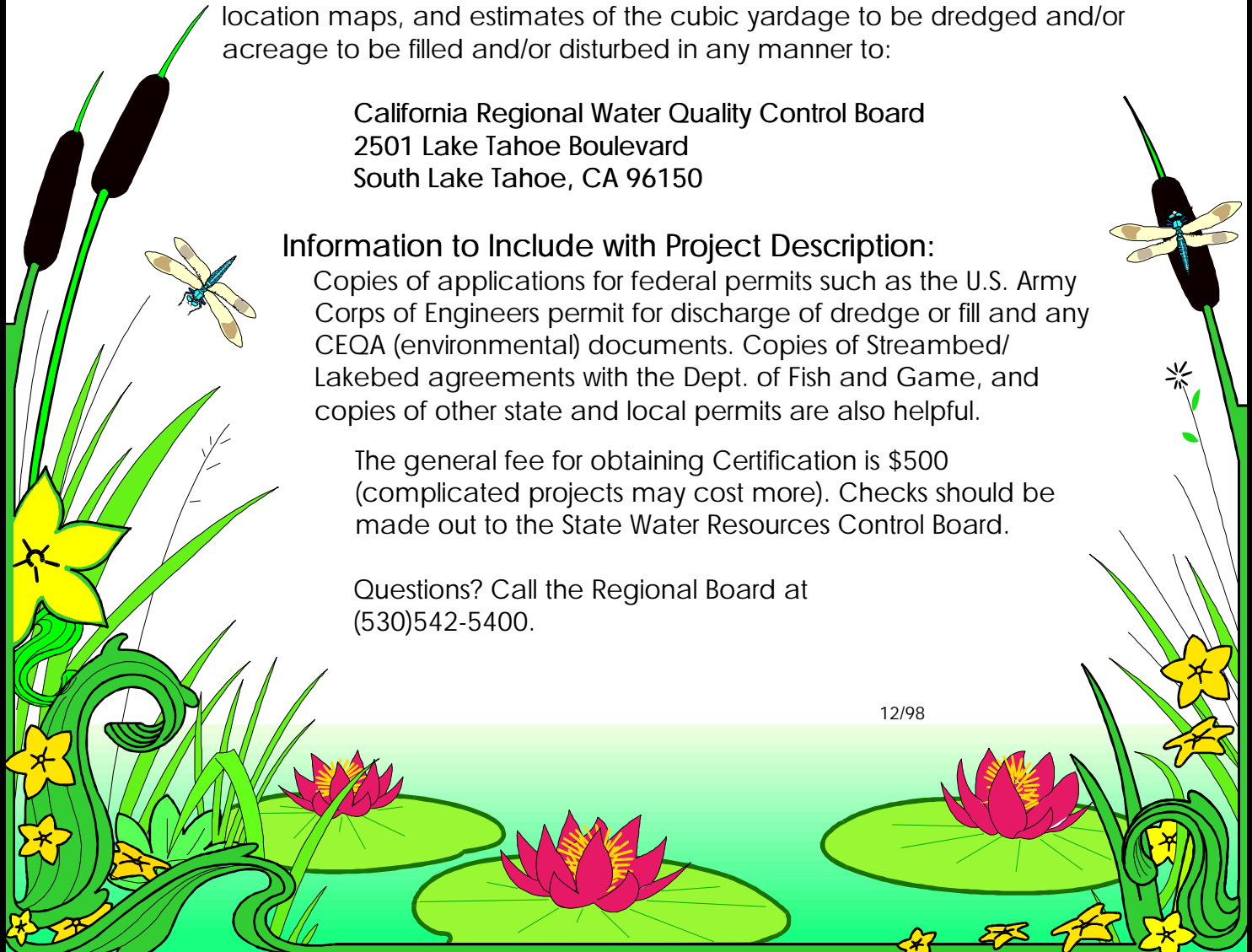
California Regional Water Quality Control Board
2501 Lake Tahoe Boulevard
South Lake Tahoe, CA 96150

Information to Include with Project Description:

Copies of applications for federal permits such as the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers permit for discharge of dredge or fill and any CEQA (environmental) documents. Copies of Streambed/Lakebed agreements with the Dept. of Fish and Game, and copies of other state and local permits are also helpful.

The general fee for obtaining Certification is \$500 (complicated projects may cost more). Checks should be made out to the State Water Resources Control Board.

Questions? Call the Regional Board at (530)542-5400.



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The following information, at a minimum, is necessary before the Regional Water Quality Control Board can make a recommendation to the State Water Resources Control Board on water quality certification. To request water quality certification, submit this completed form (or its equivalent) to:

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Include with the form a check for \$500.00 made out to the State Water Resources Control Board. This is a general fee. For projects requiring extensive staff time to review, such as complicated projects or projects resulting in more than one (1) acre of wetlands disturbance, the fee may be higher.

1. APPLICANT

a) Property Owner:		
b) Owner's Representative:		
c) Street Address		
d) City:	State:	Zip:
e) Phone:	Fax:	

2. PROJECT DESCRIPTION

a) Project Title and Purpose:
b) Project Location: (include Section, Township and Range, attach road map of site with waters clearly indicated and USGS quad map with site outlined)
c) Proposed Schedule for Project (start-up date, duration, etc.):
d) Type(s) of Federal Permit(s) required - e.g. if U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Permit, Individual or Nationwide, what number? (attach copy of application):
e) Type of CEQA Compliance (include, if complete, State Clearinghouse number and date of adoption of EIR, Neg. Dec. or copy of Notice of Exemption):
f) Has a Streambed or Lakebed Agreement from Dept. of Fish and Game been obtained? (if yes, attach copy):

3. AFFECTED WATERS

a) Acreage or sq. feet of each type of Water Body affected by Project - e.g. jurisdictional wetlands, riparian zone, streambed, and/or lake and total area impacted (attach map showing extent of impact):
b) Name and Title of Person Delineating Extent of Waters (include wetlands delineator certification information, if applicable):
c) Describe proposed measures to avoid impacts to waters of the State (if impacts are unavoidable, describe efforts to minimize impacts):
d) Type and Volume/Acreage of Proposed Discharge (dredged or fill material):
e) Nature of Mitigation for Impacted Waters - e.g. location, area, pre- and post-project monitoring plan, vegetation/soil amendment plan, quality and availability of water supply, and/or assessment of technological and economic feasibility (attach additional sheets or supporting documentation as necessary):

4. CONSTRUCTION-RELATED OR OTHER IMPACTS

a) Nearest Receiving Water(s) (for surface drainage):
b) Proposed Minimum Erosion Control Measures (attach additional sheets if necessary):

Signature of Property Owner (or Owner's Representative)

Date

If you have any questions regarding the water quality certification process call the Regional Board at (530)542-5400